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In re Application of:)
Sumihito Morita et al.)
Serial No. To Be Assigned)
Filing Date: Herewith)
For: Thin Film Magnetic Head Having Partial)
Insulating Layer Formed on Bottom Pole)
Layer Through Gap Layer and Method of)
Manufacturing the Same)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 22313-1450

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